

Patience

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Bismillaahir-Rahmaanir-Raheem

Innal-hamda lillaah was-salaatu was-salaamu 'ala rasoolillaah wa 'ala aalihi wa sahibi ajma'een

[24:49]: The Muslim Ummah today is afflicted with a severe sickness. Many of those, who claim to be Du'aat, who claim to be calling to Islaam, they don't have patience. They don't have patience to learn from the Scholars. They don't have patience to go through the steps that Allaah has set for the Believers. A step after a step, one step at a time, in order to bring back victory and honour to Islaam. Rather, they think that with their own emotions they will bring victory to Islaam. But, what they do, they bring destruction to this Ummah.

They know that the Muslims are not upon correct 'Aqeedah, correct Belief. They know that the Muslims have indulged in sin. They know that the Muslims are so weak in their Eemaan. They know that the Muslims have turned away from Allaah but they want to bring victory and honour to the Muslims Ummah. They think with just one word, or with marching in the streets, or with killing people here and there whether they are kuffar or not, whether they are innocent people or whether they are soldiers who fight the Muslims, that they will bring victory to the Muslim Ummah.

They don't have knowledge to seek proper understanding of the Deen. They don't have patience in order to seek this knowledge. In order to cultivate the Ummah upon the true religion and bring the Muslims back to their Religion. And this is where Allaah will bring victory to the Muslim Ummah. Allaah talked about those kinds of people in the Qur'aan by saying:

"Have you not seen those who were told to hold back their hands (from fighting)." [An-Nisaa' (4):77]

As it is not time...

People came to the messenger of Allaah (sall-Allaahu 'alayhi was salaam) and they said to him:

"O Messenger of Allaah, lets us go and fight the kuffar! They expelled us out of our country. Let us go and fight them!"

The Prophet (sall-Allaahu alayhi was salaam) told them:

"It is not time yet. We are not ready yet. There is a lot of Eemaan to be instilled in the heart of the Muslims."

There are a lot of physical preparations that has to take place. It is not a matter of emotions, it is not a matter of haste.

"Have you not seen those who were told to hold back their hands (from fighting) and perform as-Salaat (Iqaamatas-Salaat), and give Zakaat..." [An-Nisaa' (4):77]

So at that time when Muslims were being humiliated by the kuffar, and those people wanted to fight the kuffar. Allaah (subhaanahu wa ta'aala) said to them:

"...hold back their hands (from fighting) and perform as-Salaat (Iqaamatas-Salaat)..." [An-Nisaa' (4):77]

Your strength lies in the Prayer...

Many don't understand this. Many don't want to understand this.

"...and perform as-Salaat (Iqaamatas-Salaat), and give Zakaat..." [An-Nisaa' (4):77]

The Muslims were humiliated, were attacked. And the kuffar were preparing themselves to annihilate the Muslims and wipe them out! And Allaah was saying to them:

"...and perform as-Salaat (Iqaamatas-Salaat), and give Zakaat..." [An-Nisaa' (4):77]

And today the same people come back and we say to them: "Seek knowledge! Call the Muslims back to their religion! The Muslims have to stick to their religion before the victory comes from Allaah." This is how Allaah has set the way for this Ummah.

And they say to you: "The Muslims are being killed all around this world and you say to us seek knowledge! And you say to us, teach the people Islam!"

They think you are an idiot while you (in reality) are following the Qur'aan and the Sunnah. They don't realise that they have no understanding of the Qur'aan and the Sunnah. They only follow their emotions. And what is the outcome of their actions? Destruction upon the Ummah!

The Muslims are being attacked all over the world now. All around the world they are mistreated where ever they go. At airports, wherever they travel. Hassle and harassment upon every Muslim! Every Muslim is accused. Every Muslim is a criminal! How many people turned away from Islaam?

So Allaah sets the example of those people.

"Have you not seen those who were told to hold back their hands (from fighting) and perform as-Salaat (Iqaamatas-Salaat), and give Zakaat..." [An-Nisaa' (4):77]

So when fighting was written as an obligation upon them what happened to them?

"...but when the fighting was ordained for them, behold! a section of them fear men as they fear Allaah or even more." [An-Nisaa' (4):77]

So those who are in a rush, those who haste to bring victory to the Muslim Ummah through their own emotions, when the real time for the battle comes and the time for the real fight against the kuffar comes we will see them the first ones

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to turn their backs and run away.

Are these my own words? We find it in the Qur'aan of Allaah (subhaanahu wa ta'aala) in Soorah an-Nisaa'.

May Allaah make us of those who take heed!

Subhaanaka Allaahuma wa bihamdika ashadu an laa ilaaha illa anta astagfirouka wa atoobu ilaik.

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